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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

Introduced by: Porter, Crawford

A RESOLUTION memorializing Judge Zilthia Mae Jimison.

Whereas, Former Superior Court judge Zilthia Mae Jimison passed away on March 5, 2008, at the age of 64;

Whereas, Judge Jimison was the first African-American woman to serve as a judge on the Marion Superior Court;

Whereas, Serving from 1996 to 2002, Judge Jimison worked tirelessly creating and supervising the Marion County Drug Court;

Whereas, While serving at the Marion County Drug Court,

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Judge Jimison was known for her compassionate approach toward defendants and her belief that any criminal offender, given the right opportunity, could be rehabilitated;

Whereas, Judge Jimison also served on the City-County Council from 1992 to 1995 and was an Indianapolis mayoral candidate in 2005 and a trial lawyer;

Whereas, A graduate of Indiana State University, Judge Jimison was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1990;

Whereas, Judge Jimison received her law degree from Ohio State Law School, now known as the Ohio State University Moritz College of Law; and

Whereas, Known as Z. Mae to her colleagues and friends, Judge Zilthia Mae Jimison was a warrior who was willing to speak out for her beliefs and was never afraid to champion unpopular causes: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives
2 recognizes the many contributions made by Judge Zilthia Mae Jimison
3 and expresses its sincerest condolences to her family.

4 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
5 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to her sons, Robert
6 and Willard.

